



Strategic Partnership Agreement

This Strategic Partnership Agreement between The University Court of the University of Glasgow (“University”) and NHS Lanarkshire marks the commencement of close collaboration between the partners in joint programmes of work.

The Agreement will encompass all forms of interaction between the University and NHS Lanarkshire.

Signed:

University Court of the University of Glasgow

Signed:

NHS Lanarkshire

Date agreed:

Formal review:

Interim review:

Strategic Partnership Agreement Framework

Introduction

Staff from the University of Glasgow and NHS Lanarkshire have collaborated for a number of years on different areas of research, knowledge exchange and teaching. It has been recognised that there are a number of additional topics where the organisations can cooperate. The relationship has developed to a stage where the partners now wish to establish a joint Strategic Partnership Agreement.

Key objective of the strategic partnership

To formalise the working relationship between the University of Glasgow and NHS Lanarkshire such that over an agreed time period there is a coordinated process for identifying, defining and progressing potential opportunities for engagement through collaboration.

Scope of the strategic partnership

The scope of the partnership will encompass any or all forms of potential interaction mutually agreeable to the University and NHS Lanarkshire, including for example: research projects including clinical trials, knowledge transfer collaborations, secondments of staff, student recruitment, student projects, sponsored degree, MSc or PhD programmes, knowledge transfer partnerships (KTPs), consultancy and education/training programmes.

Key features of the partnership agreement

Key features of the partnership agreement will be:

- Head of College / CEO approval of the Strategic Partnership Agreement.
- The conferral of University status on NHS Lanarkshire Board in both its acute hospitals and the North and South Lanarkshire HSCPs as University designated operating divisions of NHS Lanarkshire.
- Agreed PR announcements on the benefits of the partnership agreement.
- Nominated lead colleagues as the main points of contact between the two organisations.
- Establishment of a Steering Group to meet regularly at an interval to be agreed when opportunities can be identified and progress accessed.
- Joint commitment to seek external funding support (where available) for projects.
- Arrangements for review and feedback of benefits of the partnership agreement.
- A process for developing case studies based on project successes.
- Each project/activity that is agreed by the partners will have a separate individual bespoke agreement to cover deliverables, IP, confidentiality, resource requirements etc. as appropriate.

Strategic Partnership Board

The Strategic Partnership Agreement also confirms the intention to establish a joint Strategic Partnership Board responsible for the strategic direction and oversight of the strategic partnership. The Board, which will be co-chaired by the Head of the College of Medical, Veterinary and Life Sciences at the University of Glasgow and the CEO of NHS Lanarkshire, or their nominees, will also support the development, monitoring and reporting of the activities and initiatives associated with the Strategic Partnership Agreement. The Board will meet at least once a year and will have an agreed composition with equal representation from each partner.

Resource implications

Where any collaboration activity has significant resource implications for one or both organisations, specific detail including any associated financial issues will be dealt with separately in the individual collaboration agreement for that activity.

Duration of agreement

The Strategic Partnership Agreement will be for a period of five years from the date of signing, and can be renewed or extended, subject to review and feedback, by mutual consent. Notice of 6 months will be given if either partner wishes to terminate the Strategic Partnership Agreement.

Legal Status

The terms of this Strategic Partnership Agreement shall not be legally binding on either party. The binding provisions for each activity resulting from this Strategic Partnership Agreement shall be set out in a separate legally binding agreement signed by both parties.

Main contacts

The main contacts associated with the Strategic Partnership Agreement are:

University:	Prof Matthew Walters Head of the School of Medicine, Dentistry & Nursing Matthew.Walters@glasgow.ac.uk
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Strategic Partnership Board membership

NHS Lanarkshire

Professor Jann Gardner, Chief Executive (co-chair)

Dr Chris Deighan, Executive Medical Director

Mr Eddie Docherty, Executive Director of NMAHPs

Professor Josephine Pravinkumar, Director of Public Health

Ms Jacqui Jones, Director of Human Resources

Professor Soumen Sengupta, Chief Officer, South Lanarkshire Health & Social Care Partnership

Mrs Claire Rae, Chief Officer, North Lanarkshire Health & Social Care Partnership

Mrs Margot Russell, Director of Practice Development

Mr Peter McCrossan, Director of Allied Health Professionals

Mr Donald Wilson, Director of Information and Digital Technology

Professor Eamonn Brankin, Associate Medical Director

Mr Raymond Hamill, Senior R&D Manager

University of Glasgow

MVLS Head of College (co-chair)

MVLS Director of Professional Services

Head of the School of Medicine, Dentistry & Nursing

MVLS Head of Research Regulation and Compliance

MVLS Head of Finance

MVLS Head of Human Resources

A Co-Director of Centre of Excellence for Trials Collaboration

Head of the Undergraduate Medical School